GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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HYBRID RICE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that Karnataka has successfully developed the country`s best hybrid rice;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government of Karnataka has sought lifting of the ban on export of paddy seeds; and

(d) if so, the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) & (b): Karnataka Hybrid Rice-2 (KRH-2), developed by the University of Agricultural Sciences, Bangalore, is a variety that is gaining popularity. It was Notified in the year, 1998 by the Government of India vide S.O. No. 401 (E) dated 15.5.1998. It is moderately tolerant to blast, comes to harvest in 135 days, its fodder yield is good and it gives about 35 − 40 quintals grain yield per acre. Under good management higher yields can be obtained.

(c): There is no ban on export of paddy seeds.

(d): Does not arise.